

Fire Emissions Modeling with EO at NCAR

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1) Model for North American Fire Emissions

(Wiedinmyer et al., *Atmospheric Environment*, 2006)

2) Fire INventory from NCAR (FINNv1)

(Wiedinmyer et al., *Geoscientific Model Development*, 2011)

Fire emissions model output:

- 1 km² spatial resolution
- Daily temporal resolution
- Available for forecasting and hindsight applications
- Predicts emissions of:
CO, PM, NO_x, NH₃, SO₂, *speciated* VOC, CH₄, CO₂, Hg, HCN, ...

<https://www2.acom.ucar.edu/modeling/finn-fire-inventory-ncar>

Fire INventory from NCAR (FINN)

$$\text{Emission}_i = f(\text{Area burned}, \text{Fuel Burned}, \text{Emission Factor}_i)$$

- Use of EO data for model inputs
 - Fire location, timing, detection
 - Rapid Fire Detections
 - <https://firms.modaps.eosdis.nasa.gov/download/>
 - MODIS Collection 6 and NRT data (MCD14DL and MCD14ML)
 - Fuel Loading
 - Vegetation Continuous Fields (MOD44B v5.1)
 - Ecosystem burned
 - Land Cover Type (MCD12Q1 v5.1)

Estimating Emissions

Emission Factor (g/kg)

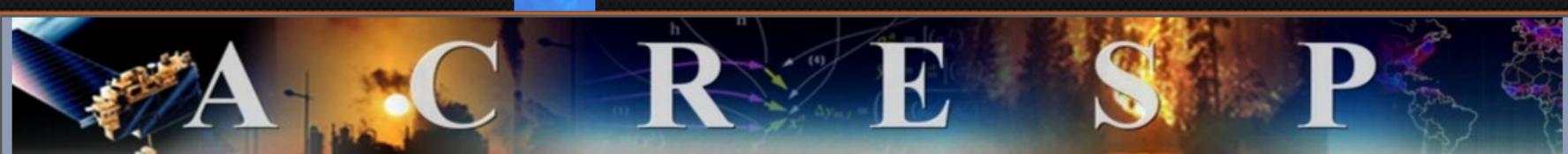
- Based on laboratory and field measurements
- Dependent on measurement techniques
- Function of type of burning



Montana Fire and Emissions Study (Bambakelson)

Fire Emission Forecasts (FINNv1)

ACOM ACRESP Forecasts MOZART FINN MOPITT IASI DC3 SEAC4RS KORUS-AQ



MOZART-4 / MOPITT CHEMICAL FORECASTS: FIRE EMISSIONS

Near-real-time fire emissions from the Fire INventory of NCAR (FINN), based on MODIS Rapid Response fire counts ([FIRMS](#)).

FINN PLOTS

Valid Dates:

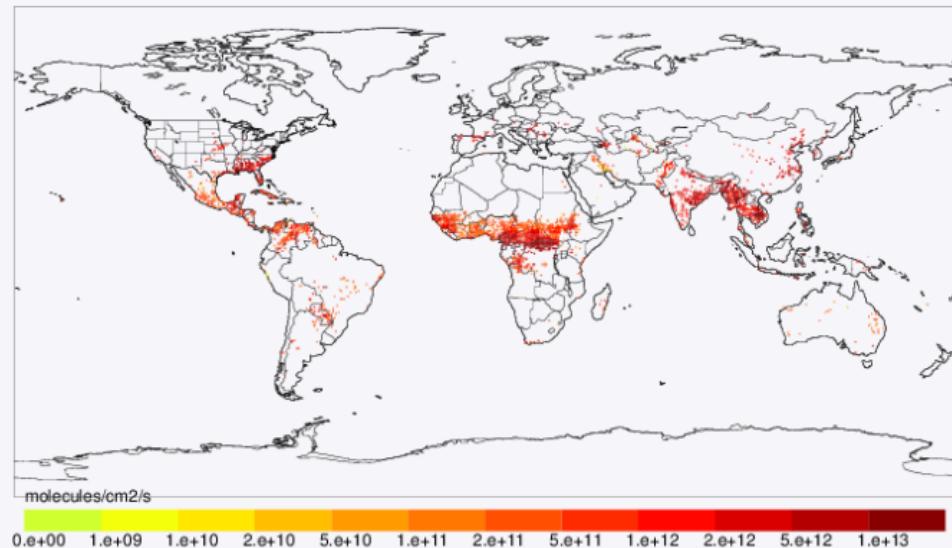
May 1, 2012 to now.

Region: [Globe](#)

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<http://www.acom.ucar.edu/acresp/forecast/>

Emissions data files available at: http://www.acom.ucar.edu/acresp/MODELING/finn_emis_txt/.

FINN fire emissions for previous years are available from: <http://bai.acom.ucar.edu/Data/fire/>.



FINN Products

- 2002-2016 Global Emissions (FINNv1.5)

Default Inputs:

- Rapid Fire Detections
- MODIS LCT
- Vegetation Continuous Fields

FIRE EMISSION FACTORS AND EMISSION INVENTORIES

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1) Fire INventory from NCAR (FINN), Version 1.5

Wiedinmyer et al., Geoscientific Model Development, 2011

Please choose the time period and speciation desired:

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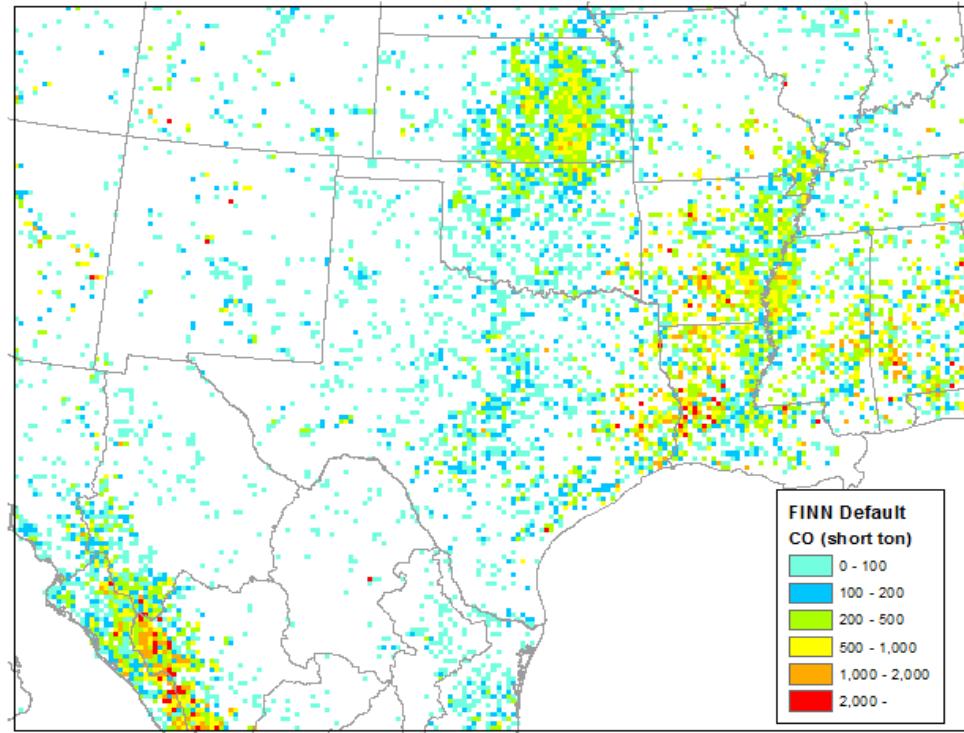
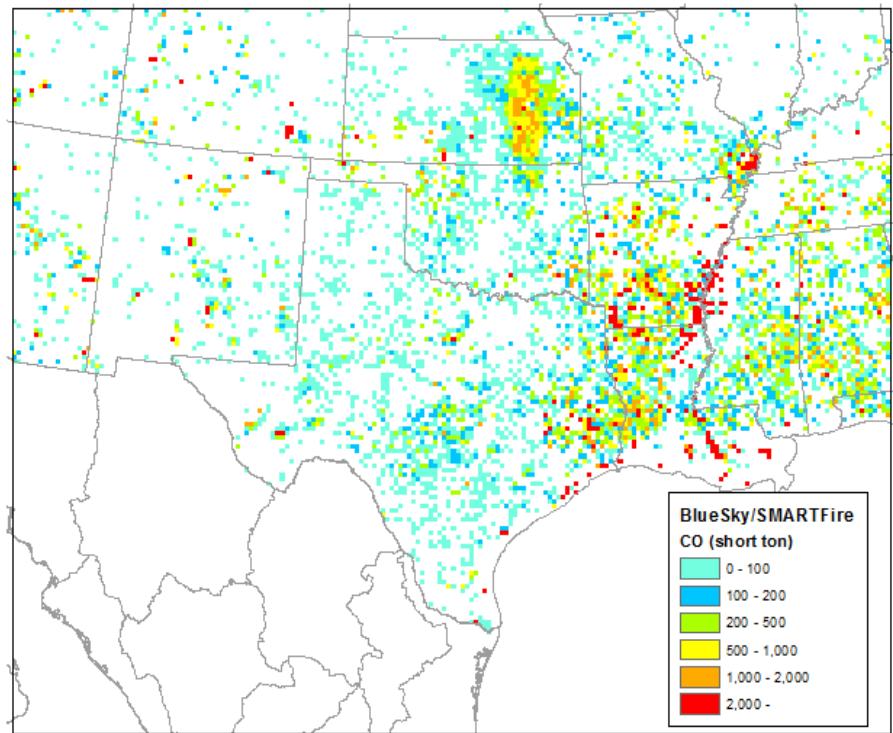
Notes:

- Files are comma-delimited ASCII files. The format for the files are the same as the format of the version 1 files.
- For more information on MOZART4 and SAPRC99, please download this README file: [link](#).
- For more information on GEOS-chem, please download this README file: [link](#).
- The FINNv1.5 emission estimates for 2002-2013 were updated on **August 10, 2014**. The FINNv1.5 emission updates for 2014 were created on **December 02, 2015**. The FINNv1.5 emission estimates for 2015 were created in **November 2016**.
- The **2016** FINNv1.5 emission estimates are for **01 January through 31 July 2016**. These files were created in November 2016 and were driven by MODIS Collection 6 fire detections (note: 01 January - 31 April used the **archive C6 product: 01 May through 31 July is created with the NRT product**). These files will be updated in the future.

Uncertainties in the emissions

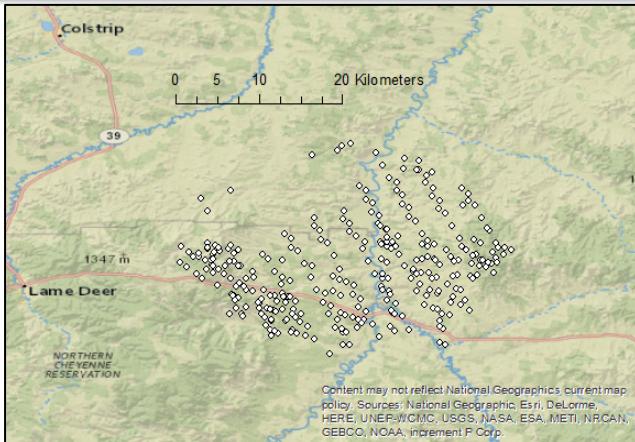
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- Emission Factors
- Fire location/timing
- Fuel loadings
- Fuel Consumption

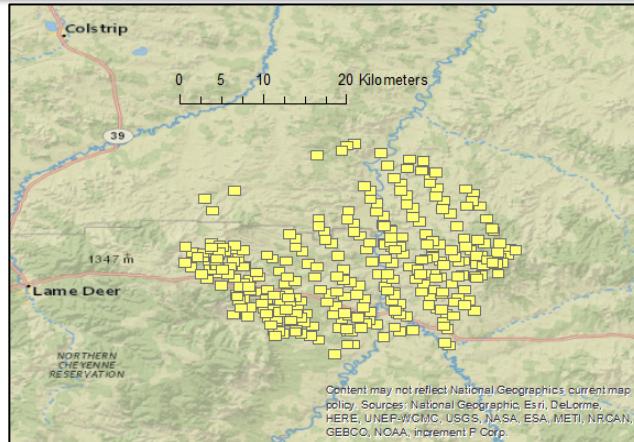


FINNv2: Updates in Progress

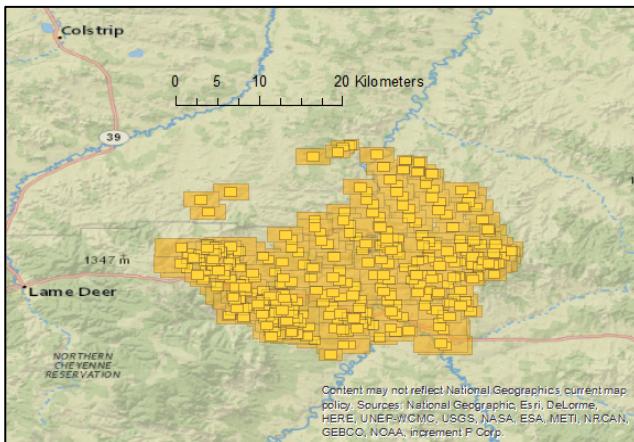
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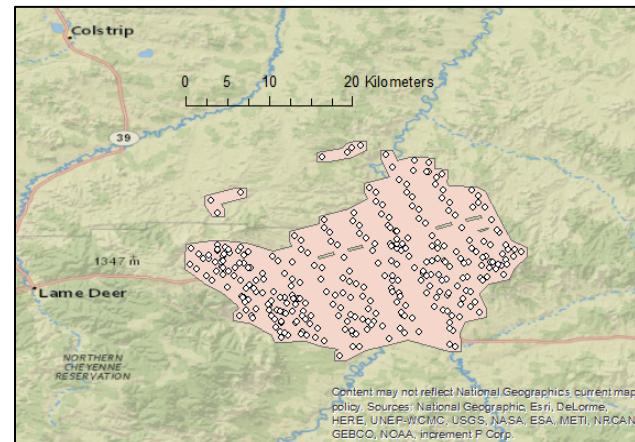
MODIS fire detections



1-km² area per detection



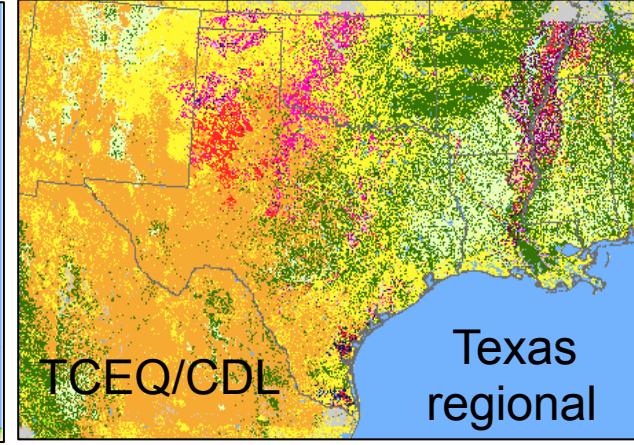
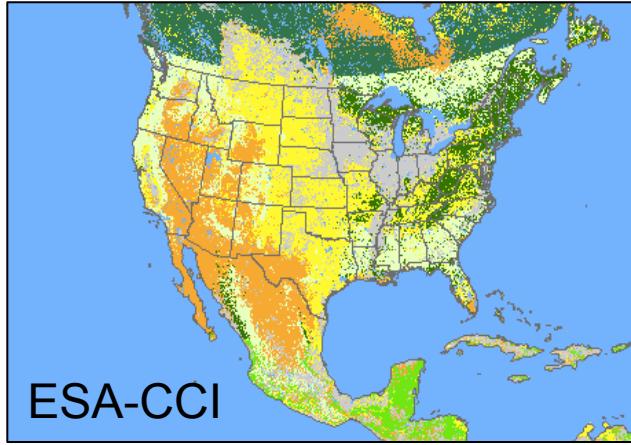
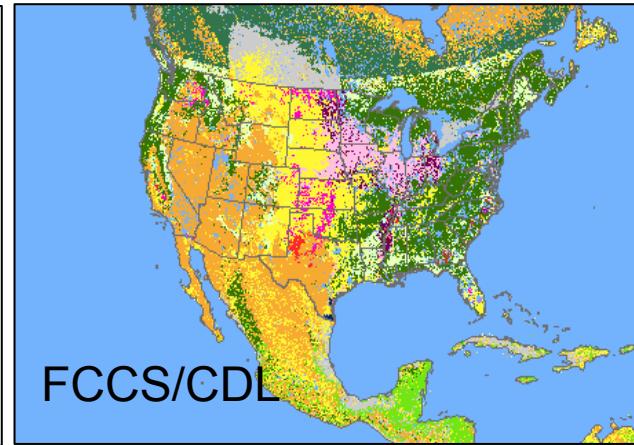
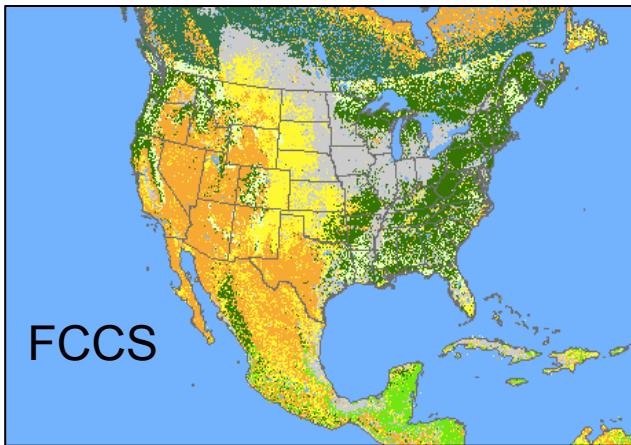
110% of easterly and northerly dimensions of satellite scan and track sizes identifies detection cluster.



Polygon formed from convex hulls of clusters of detections for burned area.

FINNv2: *Updates in Progress*

- Comparing impacts from land cover inputs



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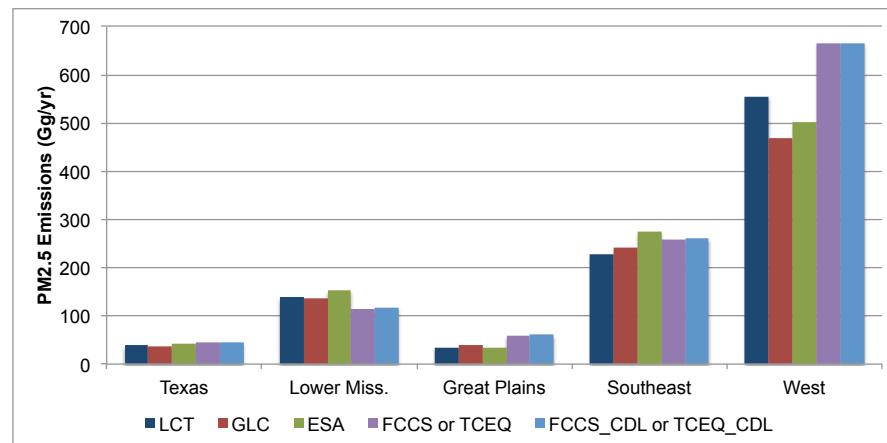
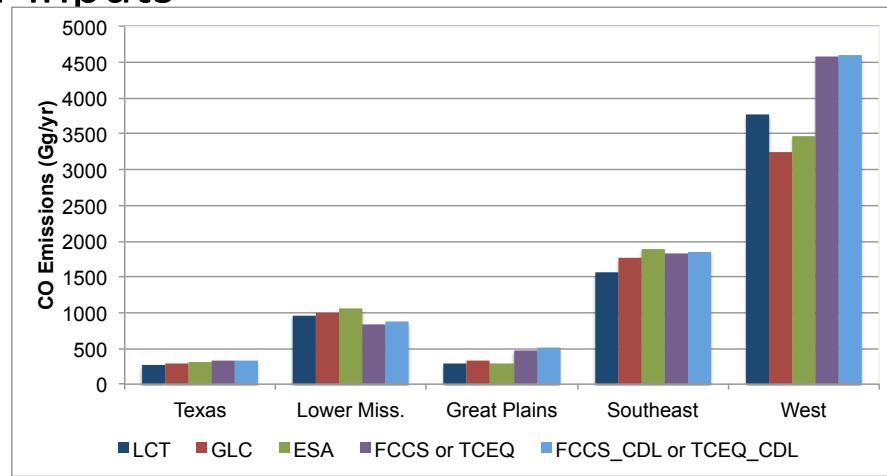
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- Comparing impacts from land cover inputs

Annual regional total CO and PM_{2.5} emissions during 2012 from FINN v.2.1.

Land cover influences assignments of emission factors and fuel loadings.

Specification of crops captures seasonal activity but with little effect on total emissions



*TCEQ regional land cover includes only Texas and the Lower Mississippi Valley (Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas). FCCS for CONUS and MODIS LCT applied elsewhere.

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Applications for FINN

- Chemical Forecasting
- Air Quality Modeling
- Climate Modeling
- Emissions Inventory Development

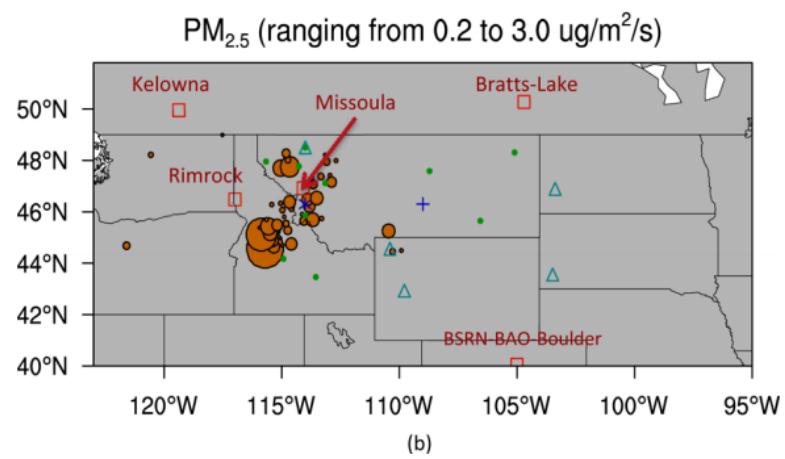
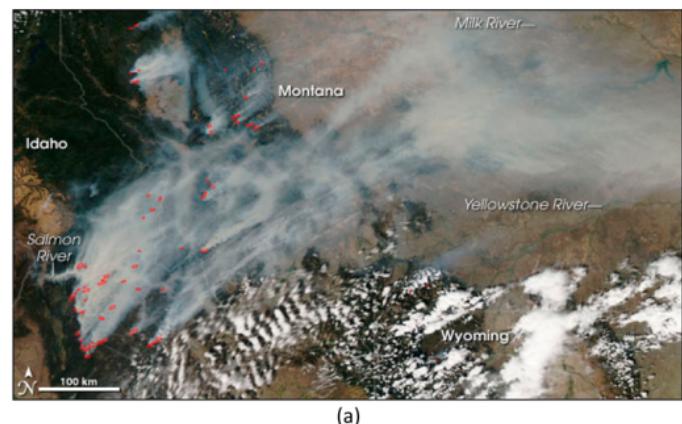
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- WRF-Chem with fire emissions
- Simulate impact of fire emissions on boundary layer and chemistry



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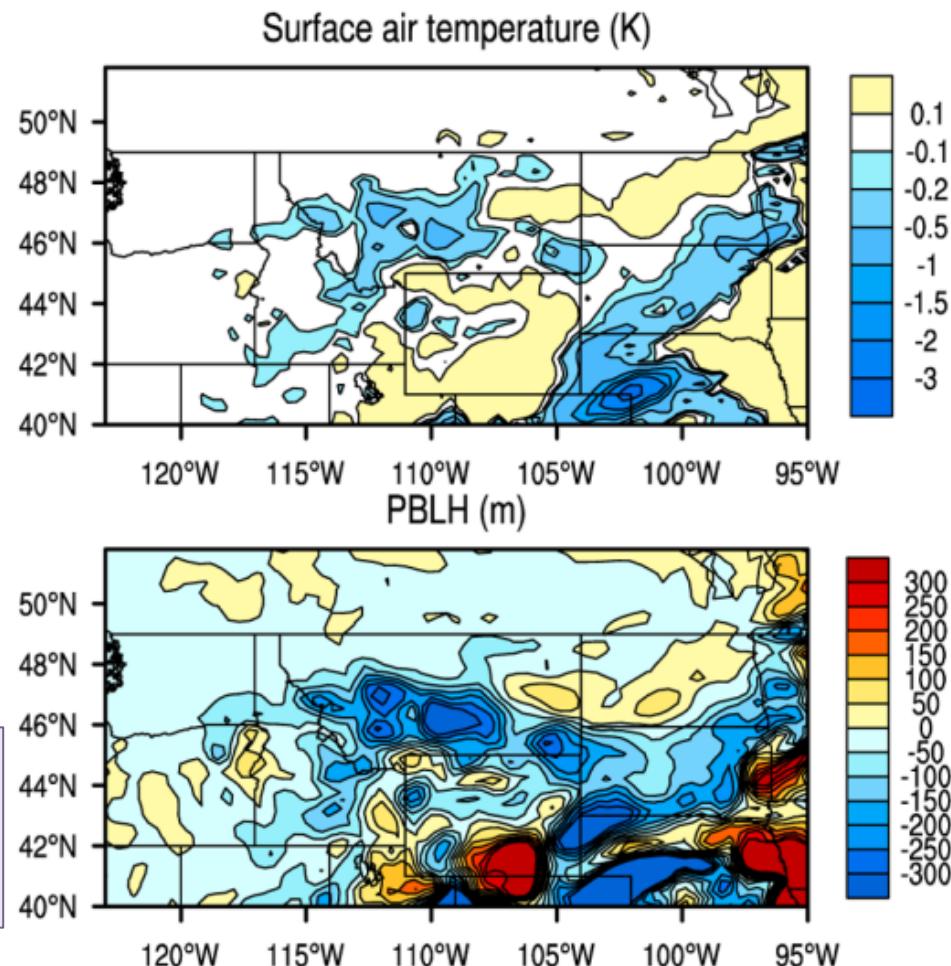
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- Changes in PBL,
Surface air
temperature, solar
radiation

Changes in -15% to +60%
in ozone concentrations



Continued Work

- Update emissions outputs to FINNv2
 - Hindsight and forecast products
- Evaluate uncertainty associated with model inputs
 - Atmospheric satellite products used (i.e., AOD)
- Test chemistry of emissions (VOCs) in chemical models
- FIREX/WE-CAN/FIRE-CHEM

Other Products:

- Annual, 30-second rasters of VCF and LCT product processed and available